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Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of

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For: SHEET HANDLING APPARATUS WHICH INSERTS INSERT SHEETS BETWEEN RECORDING SHEETS HAVING IMAGE FORMED THEREON, METHOD OF CONTROLLING SAME, IMAGE FORMING APPARATUS AND STORAGE MEDIUM THEREFOR

Enclosed are:

[X] THIRTY-ONE (31) sheets of formal drawings, Figures 1-31.

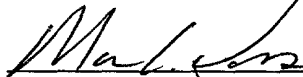
[] An Assignment of the invention to CANON KABUSHIKI KAISHA.

[X] The application claims priority from Japanese Application
11-355652 filed December 15, 1999;
11-357217 filed December 16, 1999.

- ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents are enclosed.
- ☐ A Declaration and Power of Attorney.
- ☐ A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 CFR 1.9 and 37 CFR 1.27.
- ☐ A Preliminary Amendment is enclosed.
- ☐ An Information Disclosure Statement.

| | Number Filed | Number Extra | Rate | Basic Fee \$ | 710.00 |
|--|-----------------|-----------------|---------------|-----------------|--------|
| Total | | | | | |
| Claims | 78 - 20 = | 58 | x \$ 18.00 = | \$1,044.00 | |
| Independent | | | | | |
| Claims | 10 - 3 = | 7 | x \$ 80.00 = | 560.00 | |
| Multiple Dependent Claim(s) (if applicable) | | | + \$ 270.00 = | <u>0.00</u> | |
| | | | Total | \$ 2314.00 | |
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